# ORDER OF THE MINISTER OF FORESTS, LANDS, NATURAL RESOURCE OPERATIONS AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

## Forest and Range Practices Act

Ministerial Order No.

I, Katrine Conroy, Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development, being satisfied that the following described areas contain habitat that is necessary to meet the habitat requirements for Fisher (Pekania pennanti) Central Interior Population and that the habitat requires special management that is not otherwise provided for under the Government Action Regulation (GAR) or another enactment, order that wildlife habitat areas (WHAs) 7-012, 7-013, 7-014, 7-015 in the Mackenzie Forest District are established as set out on Schedule A and managed as provided in Schedule B.

April 26,2021 Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource

Operations and Sural Development (or authorized signatory)

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Regional Executive Director
Omineca Region

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Authority under which Order is made:

Regulation and section:

Government Actions Regulation (B.C. Reg. 582/2004) ss. 9(2), 10(1) and 10(2)

### Schedule B

#### **Part 1: Definitions**

- Unless otherwise specified, words and expressions not defined in this order have the meaning given to them under the *Forest and Range Practices Act* (FRPA) and the regulations made under it.
- 2. In this order and the schedules to this order:

#### Part 2: Establishment of wildlife habitat areas

- 3. Respecting the wildlife habitat areas (WHAs):
  - a) the areas shown on the map attached as Schedule A, with the centre point of the line on the attached Schedule 4 establishing the area boundaries, as Wildlife Habitat Areas (WHA) 7-012, 7-013, 7-014, 7-015 and contained in the wildlife habitat area spatial layer stored in the British Columbia Geographic Warehouse (WHSE\_WILDLIFE\_MANAGEMENT.WCP\_WILDLIFE\_HABITAT\_AREA\_POLY) are wildlife habitat areas 7-012, 7-013, 7-014, 7-015 for Fisher (Pekania pennanti);
  - b) if there is a discrepancy between the areas shown on the map attached as Schedule A and the WHA spatial layer stored in the British Columbia Geographic Warehouse (WHSE\_WILDLIFE\_MANAGEMENT.WCP\_WILDLIFE\_HABITAT\_AREA\_P OLY), the areas as detailed in the WHA spatial layer will take precedent.

#### Part 3: General Wildlife Measures (GWMs)

4. The following are established for the WHAs:

Access

1) Do not construct/develop roads, landings, or excavated or bladed trails within the WHA.

Harvesting and Silviculture

2) Primary forest activities must not result in the removal of forest cover within the WHA.

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## Part 4: Objectives

### Range

- 1) Maintain late seral upland plant communities;
- 2) Maintain late seral riparian plant communities;
- 3) Maintain connectivity between riparian and upland habitats;
- 4) Maintain important structural attributes for fishers and their prey species;